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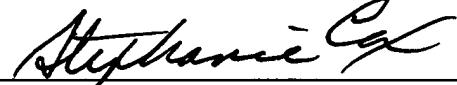
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

17 March 2006

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

The applicant's attorney amends claim 1. The applicant's attorney also requests that the Examiner withdraw the restriction requirement on claims 1 – 9 and provisionally elects claim 1 (Group I), as amended herein, for continued prosecution. In addition, the applicant's attorney requests a three-month extension of time.

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